

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A facsimile apparatus having a facsimile function and an E-mail function, comprising:

registration means capable of registering multiple
5 items of account information;

deciding means for deciding whether the multiple items of account information have been registered in said registration means when the use of the E-mail function is directed by a user;

10 selection means for selecting one item of account information of the plurality thereof if said deciding means decides that the multiple items of account information have been registered in said registration means;

15 setting means for setting up an account based upon one item of account information if only one item of account information has been registered in said registration means, and based upon an item of account information selected by said selection means if multiple
20 items of account information have been registered in said registration means; and

processing means for executing processing related to E-mail using the account set up by said setting means.

25 2. The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said registration means registers a name in association with each item of account information; and

said selection means selects a desired item of account information in response to designation of a name.

3. The apparatus according to claim 2, wherein said 5 selection means displays a list of names that have been registered in said registration means.

4. The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said registration means registers authentication information, which is for setting up an account by said setting 10 means, in association with each item of account information; and

 said setting means performs authentication based upon the authentication information when an account is set up based upon account information that has been 15 selected by said selection means.

5. The apparatus according to claim 4, wherein authentication information possessed by account information is exploited as said authentication information.

20 6. The apparatus according to claim 4, wherein if only one item of account information has been registered in said registration means, said setting means omits authentication based upon said account information and sets up an account based upon this account information.

25 7. A facsimile apparatus control method for controlling a facsimile apparatus having a facsimile function and an E-mail function, comprising:

a registration step of registering at least one account information in registration means capable of registering multiple items of account information;

a deciding step of deciding whether the multiple
5 items of account information have been registered in
said registration means when the use of the E-mail
function is directed by a user;

a selection step of selecting one item of account information of the plurality thereof if said deciding means decides that the multiple items of account information have been registered in said registration means;

a setting step of setting up an account based upon one item of account information if only one item of account information has been registered in said registration means, and based upon an item of account information selected at said selection step if multiple items of account information have been registered in said registration means; and

20 a processing step of executing processing related
to E-mail using the account set up at said setting step.

8. The method according to claim 7, wherein said registration step registers a name in association with each item of account information; and

25 said selection step selects a desired item of account information in response to designation of a name.

9. The method according to claim 8, wherein said selection step displays a list of names that have been registered in said registration means.

10. The method according to claim 7, wherein said
5 registration step registers authentication information,
which is for setting up an account at said setting step,
in association with each item of account information;
and

10 said setting step performs authentication based upon the authentication information when an account is set up based upon account information that has been selected at said selection step.

11. The method according to claim 10, wherein
authentication information possessed by account
15 information is exploited as said authentication
information.

12. The method according to claim 10, wherein if only one item of account information has been registered in said registration means, said setting step omits authentication based upon said account information and sets up an account based upon this account information.

13. A computer-readable memory storing a control program for executing, by computer, a facsimile apparatus control method for controlling a facsimile apparatus having a facsimile function and an E-mail function, wherein said facsimile apparatus control method comprises:

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a registration step of registering at least one account information in registration means capable of registering multiple items of account information;

5 a deciding step of deciding whether the multiple items of account information have been registered in said registration means when the use of the E-mail function is directed by a user;

10 a selection step of selecting one item of account information of the plurality thereof if said deciding means decides that the multiple items of account information have been registered in said registration means;

15 a setting step of setting up an account based upon one item of account information if only one item of account information has been registered in said registration means, and based upon an item of account information selected at said selection step if multiple items of account information have been registered in said registration means; and

20 a processing step of executing processing related to E-mail using the account set up at said setting step.